

# Estimates Committee 2011

## Questions Taken On Notice

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**From:** Mr Gerry Wood to Hon Delia Lawrie  
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**Question:** **1-1**  
Under the General Government Sector Grant Expense, subsection Payments to Local Government, could the Treasurer please say whether those payments have decreased in this financial year?

**Answer:** Ms LAWRIE: Mr Chairman, I have two questions on notice and we have the details for Question No 1.1, which David can provide.

Mr BRAINES-MEAD: David Braines-Mead, Assistant Under Treasurer. Mr Wood. you had a question on general government sector grants to local governments from TAFR, on page 176. That is made up of, or our background is made up of a couple of large components. Included in there is financial assistance grants and operational grants to shires, but also included in that in those numbers are service level agreements with shires where they undertake services on behalf of the Territory government, such as tenancy and property management, repairs and maintenance of government buildings. Those fluctuate year on year. The operational and financial assistance grants are increasing, and you will be able to see on page 115 of Budget Paper No 3, which is

the Department of Housing, Local Government and Regional Services, that; for example, for 2010-11, the local government grants, which is the financial assistance grants, and operational subsidies was \$55.1m, and in 2011-12 is estimated to be \$56.9m.

Answered On: 14/06/2011